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Walnut Creek Stake Conference Speakers. (L. to r.) First Counsellor Joseph R. Hilton, Sister Mary Vogel Cameron, Stake President Kenneth D. Jensen, Sister Adena Nell Swanson Gourley, and Second Counsellor Mark R. Bickley.

Temple Fund Oversubscribed

President O. Leslie Stone, Oakland Temple Committee Finance chairman, notified President David O. McKay on April 1 that the membership of the 22 stakes of the Oakland Temple District had oversubscribed their original pledge of \$500,000. The estimated cost of the Temple is \$2,500,000.

Some of the Stakes of the area, those with heavy building commitments, have not yet met their assessments so the 102 per cent subscription recorded will reach a new high when all pledges are received, said President Stone.

It has been suggested that the subscription fund will remain open until about time for the Temple dedication. This will give newcomers to the district and others an opportunity to partake of the blessings which always come from giving to the construction of a House to the Lord.

President Stone declined to name a new collection goal but expressed his faith in the Northern California Saints to continue to assist in the financing of the Oakland Temple.

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Copies of this issue of The Messenger of Northern California and that which reported the groundbreaking exercises of the Oakland Temple, plus pictures of that historic event will be among the memorabilia sealed in the Temple cornerstone, according to recent information to the staff.

Auxiliaries' Work Lauded At Parley

Values of the Relief Society and Primary Association in building and maintaining the Church were stressed by speakers at the Walnut Creek Stake Quarterly Conference March 31 at the East Bay Interstake Center.

By direction of the First Presidency, Sisters Mary Vogel Cameron of the Relief Society General Board and Adena Nell Swanson Gourley of the Primary Association General Board were the visiting speakers at the Sunday meetings as well as at the meetings of Relief Society and Primary leaders the previous day.

Sister Cameron told of the Relief Society's concern for the physical and spiritual welfare of Church families, listed attributes of the society, and said, "The Relief Society is in good hands here."

She was preceded by Sister Genevieve James, president of the Stake Relief Society Board, who outlined the history of the society from its organization in Nauvoo March 17, 1842, to its present membership of 231,000. From a small start as the "Martinez Branch" which included all of central and eastern Contra Costa county plus Benicia, in 1927, the stake has grown to its present size and the Relief Society to a membership of 807, she said.

First Counsellor J. R. Hilton of

Conference Sets Stake Record

Walnut Creek Stake's largest quarterly conference of record—attendance 2477—nevertheless attracted less than one-third of the stake membership, President Kenneth D. Jensen announced to the audience March 31.

With the recent occupancy of the Danville Ward chapel, all 13 of the stake's wards are now meeting in buildings erected by "Mormons" and their friends, Pres. Jensen said. This, of course, includes multiple occupancy of some chapels while the stake building program progresses.

the Stake Presidency called husband and wife "the greatest team on earth and forever" and urged mutual support in their activities in the Church.

Sister Gourley pleaded for support of the Primary from the parents, saying, "The Primary has the child only one hour a week. Parents must help teach the landmarks so that children can find their way safely through life."

Second Counsellor Mark R. Bickley of the Stake Presidency emphasized her remarks with the comment, "The principles must be repeated to be learned. We are losing too many. Less than half the Primary children become active in the Church. The Primary—Home Partnership is vital."

President Jensen also stressed this theme, saying, "Sunday School is not enough. Many children of Church families are not members of the Primary. They need this instruction. Too many homes have copies of the Bible and the Book of Mormon and don't use them."

Sister Fern Christiansen, Stake Primary President, remarked that "today's children are better fed, clothed, housed, read, and travelled than ever, but they need spiritual training. What greater work could we be engaged in than saving our own children?" She reported Stake Primary membership of 1838, attendance of 64 per cent, and declared the Primary is a missionary force among non-members' children and a medium of converting parents and stimulating activity in the Church.

Other participants on the program included: Stake Patriarch Vinal G. Mauss, Nico D. Snel, chorister; Sister Doris Reed, organist; President Glen Hill of the Stake Mission, the Primary Children's Choir of 55 boys and 75 girls directed by Sister LaRue Clark and accompanied by Sister Helen Finell, the Stake Singing Mothers directed by Sister Nola Myrl Christensen, Stake Clerk Elwood Meredith, High Councilmen George Baker and W. Keith Epling.

Genealogy Stressed At Stake Meeting

By Glen Wright

"What in the world are you doing for those who are not in this world?" asked High Councilman Dennis Lauper, first speaker at the April 20-21 Oakland-Berkeley Quarterly Stake Conference, Interstake Center.

His question keynoted the predominant theme of two day session, as speaker after speaker, beginning with President O. Leslie Stone, emphasized genealogy work today.

Under direction of general authority Milton R. Hunter, First Council of Seventy, the sessions attracted record crowds: 1,929 in the morning and 1,270 in the afternoon. Other meetings were also well attended.

Accompanying Brother Hunter from Salt Lake City were Paul F. Royall, general secretary of the Genealogical Society, and Donald Bagley, member of the Welfare Committee.

Identify Ancestors

Following President Stone's opening remarks which enjoined members to pay tithing, respond willingly to assignments, live each day well and to be 'about our Father's business' by doing more genealogy work, brother Lauper propounded his question and answered it by explaining the importance of work for the dead.

"Our obligation," he said, "is to identify our ancestors into family groups and do their temple work vicariously for them so that they might accept or reject and progress in eternity accordingly."

"The new (Oakland) temple is as much for the dead as for the living."

Three Obligations

Quoting the Pearl of Great Price to the effect that genealogy started with Adam, who at God's command, kept a Book of Remembrance, Elder Royall asserted that the three basic obligations of man are to: 1) God; 2) Christ; 3) his ancestors.

Brother Royall had set the pace for genealogical discussion at a special meeting Saturday afternoon at which he declared "Genealogy is the most important work in the Church, not excepting missionary work."

He said that beginning in September of this year the MIA adult class will be abolished and a one hour genealogy class will be given instead, under direction of the Ward Genealogy Committee. Thirty-five lessons have already been prepared to last until May 1964 when a teaching manual will be issued.

The adult Sunday School Gospel Doctrine class will be done away with in January 1964, when a youth genealogy program will be instituted under direction of the Sunday School department. Manuals are now being prepared by the Church Genealogy Committee.

All lesson manuals in the future will be prepared by the same Church Committee which will integrate them by making genealogy the subject of every fourth lesson. Temple work and genealogy work will be kept separate, Royall said, adding that all bishops are being urged to publicize and popularize the program.

Laying of the cornerstone of the Oakland Temple is scheduled for Saturday, May 25. The Tabernacle Choir, which appears at the San Francisco Memorial Opera House the previous evening is scheduled to participate in the ceremonies. Watch your daily newspaper for particulars of the program which were not available when this issue of The Messenger went to press.

'Education Week' Set For August

by Nell Smith

"Education Week" is a name to be remembered! It is the new title for the annual visit of the Brigham Young University which was formerly called "Leadership Week".

The date for the 1963 "Education Week" is August 12-16 and it will be conducted in the East Bay Interstake Center. Courses to be offered will spotlight the family in the theme, "Family Togetherness—the Challenge of Our Times."

When the B.Y.U. Adult Education and Extension Services brought the "Leadership Week" program into areas outside of the college campus the name tended to be misunderstood. Since it primarily attracted Church members some of those who had not been familiar with the program interpreted the title to mean a 'week for leaders'. After serious consideration by the B.Y.U. Board of Trustees, and with the blessing of President David O. McKay, the name "Leadership Week" which had lived for 30 years was changed to the more encompassing title of "Education Week".

Initiated on B.Y.U. campus at Provo, the leadership program was held January 23-27, 1922, during the first year of the administration of former President Franklin S. Harris. Through his vision and creative leadership the program was approved by the Board of Trustees and established as a yearly event.

It was first conducted during the winter months so that the rural folk might participate. President Harris patterned the program after several adult education programs instituted elsewhere.

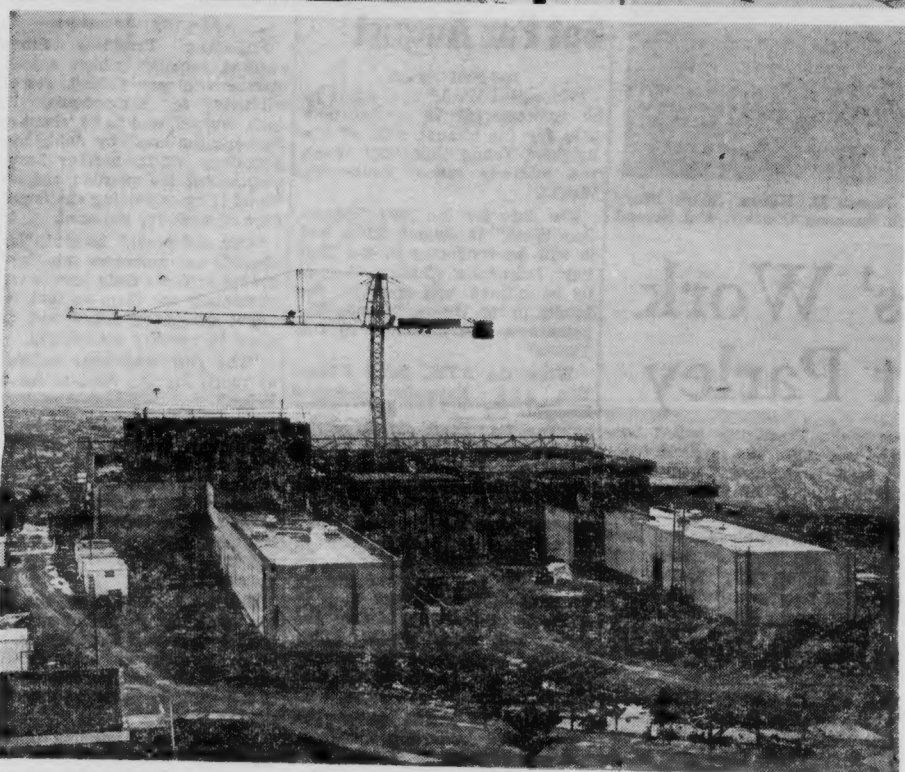
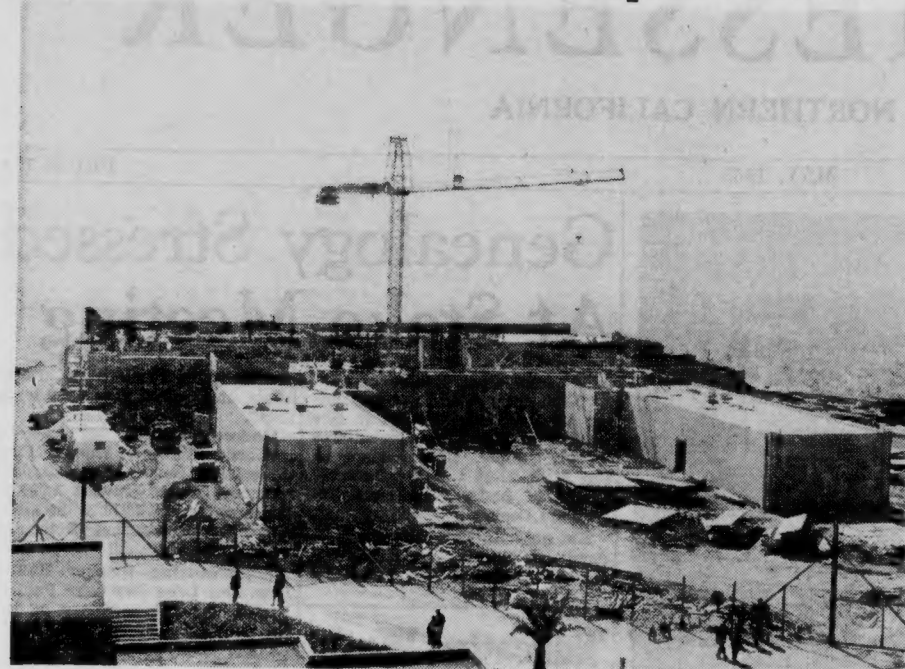
The curriculum has since been expanded to include more courses in liberal education for everyone. It was not until 1958 that a program was developed and approved to extend beyond the confines of the campus.

During August of that year a program was initiated in Los Angeles and during the Christmas season the first annual presentation was made at Tempe, Arizona, on the Arizona State University campus. In 1959 Ogden, Salt Lake and Oakland, (Northern California) were added to the schedule.

374th Stake

Sunderland Stake in Sunderland, is the 374th stake in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It was organized March 17 by Elder Mark E. Petersen of the council of the Twelve and president of the West European Mission.

Progress Of Work On Oakland Temple In Pictures



MUCH OF THE WORK on the Oakland Temple is now going on inside the building, as these two views taken March 18 (in the sun) and April 15 (after a rain) indicate. Vagaries of the postal service delayed the March picture beyond last month's deadline. Photos by Robert C. McCrea.

L.D.S. Notes and Quotes

We recommend your careful study of the current "Era" for another reason. President O. Leslie Stone, Oakland-Berkeley stake, is guest editor of the "Presiding

Bishopric's Page." His article "If I Were You," is written as advice to young men but the wisdom to found therein can be used by all of us.

Another note of interest to be found in the April "Era" is in the opening paragraph of the item on page 243. It is a quote from the "Journal of Discourses" which is a compilation of talks given by President John Taylor who was then a member of the Council of the Twelve.

What's so interesting about that? Well, it does bring to mind that his grandson, Samuel W. Taylor, an associate editor of the messenger, has been a member of the local "Education Week" faculty for the past two years!

Have you received your copy of the April "Era"? The entire issue is devoted to the problems of "Family Togetherness . . . the Challenge of Our Times," the theme for study during the 1963 Northern California Education Week, scheduled for August 12-16 in the East Bay Interstake Center.

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My Testimony

Will man rob God?

By Mabel B. Liddell

"Will a man rob God? . . . Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord or hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Malachi 4:8,10

This promise from the Lord is a loving challenge—a specific protection to the people of the earth. Of such great consequence is this gospel principle that Malachi's words given in the Old Testament, were repeated in Ancient America by Jesus the Christ, when he visited the people there in AD 34. In 1831 this law was restored once more to the people of the earth through Joseph Smith, the Prophet, and has been fervently preached since that time.

These sacred admonitions kept running through my mind this week as I sat talking to a lovely young Mormon girl from Salt Lake City. She is vibrant, full of fun and nineteen.

"I couldn't go without paying my tithing," she stated definitely. "I don't feel it's my money in the first place. It's the Lord's."

"My mother and father taught me the value of tithing when I was very young. They received many blessings from tithing, which I knew about of course, but I didn't have a true testimony of the principle until I worked and tried it for myself.

"I was only making \$30.00 a week on my first job. Upon receiving my first two or three checks I laid out the \$3.00 for tithing but later in the week I felt I needed it for something else and spent it. I always rationalized by telling myself that I'd pay it later but I couldn't make my income stretch far enough. I seemed to be out of money all the time.

"It had been my desire for many years to go to Art School, and it was necessary for me to pay my own way, so out of each paycheck I saved \$10.00 for that fund. I paid my mother \$30.00 monthly, bus fare, all my clothing plus expenses for many church activities I couldn't see how I could afford to pay tithing.

"Mother realized that I wasn't being honest with the Lord and she put the challenge forth to try it and see if my money would go further.

"The first week I paid tithing I think I was a little reluctant about it; I really didn't have faith that it would make any difference and it didn't. The next week I laid out the \$3.00 for tithing and almost spent it for something else again but this time I just couldn't keep it. It was like stealing. It wasn't mine. I paid it promptly and was really astonished! At the end of the week I had some money over, although I had earned the same amount and there had been no change in my expenses.

"From that time on, I noticed how the Lord helped me with decisions. In a very short time I was urged to apply for a job at the Telephone Company Office. Before that I had no idea there was any possibility of employment there. In two weeks I was hired at almost double my former salary.

"I worked in this office for fifteen months and at the end of that time I had saved \$1400.00 toward my education. Working along beside me was another girl who was really trying earnestly to save. She had worked seven months longer than I, therefore had accumulated regular raises and had a larger income. She paid nothing toward her home and no tithing, yet she had been able to save only \$600.00.

"I know that the Lord watched over me and guided me in many ways. I participated in all church activities and had no desire to break the word of wisdom. The blessing from this law was really brought to mind when I went for a dental checkup. I was eighteen and a half years old at the time. The dentist was amazed to find that I had no fillings, and no cavities—a perfect set of teeth.

"Very recently a little thing at Art School made me think of this again. To my knowledge I am the only Mormon in school. I have made no comments about my religion at all. I try to be friendly with everyone and we have lots of good times. The other day one of the boys said to me, 'I simply don't understand it! All of the girls around here smoke to keep thin. You never smoke and yet somehow, you're the most attractive girl here.' I felt this was a great compliment—not to me—but to our beautiful way of life."

Love of Mission

Elder S. Dilworth Young, speaking in a conference session of April 6, 1950, when he was serving as president of the New England mission, said:

"One must feel and absorb in his heart the country to which he goes. Not only must he know the oaks, the hills, the beeches and the birches . . . he substitutes his love for his own home temporarily, for a devotion to the land of his adoption, year even thought it be for only a year or two."

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Explorers Name New Officers

New officers for Explorer Post No. 311, Walnut Creek, to serve for the next six months, were announced recently. They include President Milton Clark, Vice President Bob Jensen, Secretary Alan Weeks, Treasurer David Skidmore, Quartermaster Russell Krey, Cabinet Reps. Norman Spencer and Jan Dalby, NRA Chairman Alan Mayfield, Newsletter Editor Dennis Clark, Work Committee Chairman Grant Harris, Photographer Derrell Dalby, and Publicity Chairman Glenn Spencer.

Both Explorers and "Liahona Laborers" are available for a wide variety of odd jobs during the spring and summer months to raise funds for the Explorers' summer trip and the girls' outing at Camp Liahona. Even adults are contributing labor to support these projects. Gardening, weeding, lawn care, baby-sitting, window washing, car washing, housecleaning, are but a few of the kinds of labor available. Earnings are turned over for support of the activities.



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San Leandro Ward New Bishopric Is Sustained

by Elizabeth W. Frye

President Ream was present for our Easter Sunday program so it did not seem unusual to see him at Sacramento services. Little did we realize that his presence there meant that we were in for a big surprise. President Ream announced that Bishop Marcel Lauper was being released, as well as his counselors, Adrian Schipper and William Callahan.

Adrian Schipper was sustained as the new Bishop of San Leandro Ward. William F. Callahan was sustained at 1st Counselor, and Alden F. Lamph as 2nd Counselor. Bishop Lauper has served in the Bishopric for ten years and as a Bishop for eight years in the San Leandro Ward.

In a short time Bishop Lauper and wife Frances, will leave on a business and pleasure trip to North Carolina. Sister Lauper's parents live in Chicago, so they will stop off there for a visit. They will fly from Chicago to Washington, D.C., then drive by car to various points of scenic interest. They will be gone three weeks and return early in May.

Bishop Lauper and Adrian Schipper attended Conference in Salt Lake. The Schippers then flew to Los Angeles on a combined business and pleasure trip. They visited their daughter Donna and family while there.

Ordinances during the month of April were as follows:

Sustained: Gary Boetes as Activity Counselor in Young Men's Mutual, Loraine Peterson as Era Director, Leona Morris as In Service Director in the Primary, Virginia Wood as Sunday School teacher, Charles Peterson as Counselor in the Mutual.

New Deacon's Quorum President: Roy Wilson; 1st Counselor, William Webb, 2nd Counselor, John Glissmeyer; Secretary, John Reed, Jr.

Ordained: Samuel W. Street to office of Deacon.

Baptized and confirmed: Alan L. Fraser.

Blessed: Joseph Martin Bacca; Scott Carl Shandrew, son of Edwin and Patricia Shandrew; Remel Haws and Sherie Haws, children of Reed and Shirley Haws; and Gregory Victor Mc Bride, son of Victor and Sandra McBride.

Brother Hal Pitcher recently returned from a business trip to the island of Oahu in the Hawaiian Islands. He was gone three weeks and reports that it rained every day except two while he was there.

Sister Bundy went to Provo, Utah, in April, where she visited her daughter Sharon, who is attending BYU. She also visited her husband's mother and sister in Salt Lake. While she admitted the snow was beautiful, she was glad to return to her native California.

Gary Boetes has returned from his mission to South Africa. He spoke in Sacramento Meeting Easter Sunday giving a description of the country, its natural resources, kind of people, churches, etc., and related many interesting experiences.

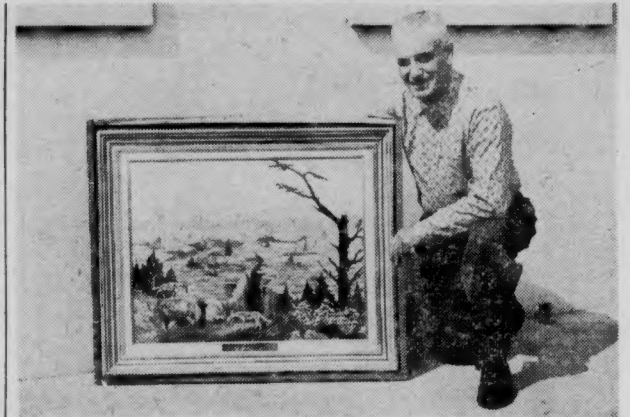
Oakland 2nd Ward

London Visited

Sister Hilda Applegate, of Oakland 2D Ward, has recently returned from a 13,000 mile trip to England to visit her 82-year-old mother who had been ill. This was their first visit in eleven years.

While in England Sister Applegate had the opportunity to visit with the president of the London Stake and his wife and was quite impressed with the amount of volunteer work they do willingly in comparison to the small duties that we often complain about.

Sister Applegate also had the opportunity to further her genealogy by taking in new or formerly unknown relatives.



George E. Smith and painting for German city

Luther's Mormon Kin Sends Art To Luther's City

In early June an original oil painting of the scenic west, by a Mormon artist, will help cement friendly relations between the cities of Worms, Germany and San Francisco, California. This is due to the generosity and artistic ability of George E. Smith of 132 Farallones St., San Francisco, who works as a sign painter at the Oakland Army Terminal, Plant Engineer Division. Major L. B. Landon, until recently head of this division is now stationed in Germany where he learned that the Mayor of Worms desired a painting of western America to hang in the city hall. Major Landon relayed this message to his friend George Smith, on a Christmas Card.

Brother Smith immediately went to work in his spare time, to produce a painting of the vast lava beds in southern Idaho, in all their desolate, yet colorful beauty. He has titled the painting "Coyotes Lair". The foreground represents this barren area with its sparse vegetation and giant earth cracks. A coyote is bringing a rabbit to its den as its hungry mate stands watching from a nearby ledge. In the distant horizon are the deep blue toned mountains that anciently poured forth this desolation of lava.

The painting, 24 by 30 inches, mounted in a heavy driftwood-tone frame, will bear an engraved metal plate reading, "Presented to the City of Worms for the splendid public relations between the people of Germany and the United States of America."

Of special interest will be the presentation speech in which Major Landon will say that Mrs. Rosalind Bachman Smith, wife of the artist, is a direct descendant of Martin Luther. It will be remembered that this courageous reformer was subjected to a shameful trial in this very city of Worms. Major Landon will attempt to secure names for the Smith to further fill out this important genealogical lineage.

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El Sobrante Ward

Ward Teaching Records Set

By Evelyn Childers
Newly organized after recent division from Rodeo Ward, El Sobrante looks forward to vigorous growth and activities under the direction of our new Bishopric, E. Dene Ogden and his two counselors, Floyd Severson and Douglas Storey. As example of this enthusiasm, the Ward Teachers in their first two months have set records of 97.7% and 100% for January and February.

The first of our new Ward events, combined with Rodeo Ward, directed by Lurae Storey, was a voyage to China over the gangplank to the Pagoda Room (Rec. Hall) for the "Ching Ming Feast" with oriental food, decorations, and entertainment—the children loved the Golden Dragon, and we all enjoyed the "Chinese" dancing girls.

Another successful **Renewal** under the direction of Don and Margaret Martindale was held March 23 as a Building Fund project. All who attended "Renewal with Pleasure" last spring and now the "Starlight Renewal" look forward to this semi-annual delightful evening of delicious dinner and professional entertainment—Mark July 3, Interstake Center, for your next "Renewal in Tahiti."

Thirteen Ward members participated in the Los Angeles Temple excursion with a credit of 37 en-

Richmond Ward

Three Win Duty To God Awards

By MIMA WILLIAMS
Duty to God Awards were presented by 2nd Counselor William Charles to three priests of the Richmond Ward in a recent sacrament service.

Dwayne M. Parsons and Richard E. Parsons are sons of Melvin and Beatrice Parsons. Leon C. Henderson is the son of Bishop and Marjorie Henderson.

Daryl N. Chinn was one of nine local high school seniors awarded a scholarship under the terms of the will of the late Richard H. Spiers, who left a bequest of \$5,500 for this purpose.

Selection of the winners was made by a committee composed of Dr. George D. Miner, Richmond school superintendent, Dr. Hollis Mortensen, president, Richmond Rotary Club, and Louis H. Martin, exalted ruler, Richmond Lodge of Elks. These individuals also were specified in the Spiers will.

The scholarship \$500 check and appropriate certificates will be presented to Daryl at a dinner to be held May 7. This dinner given by the Richmond Lodge of Elks, will also include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Chinn.

Documents performed. All returned home tired but happy with closer bonds of friendship.

We are proud of Phillip Owens, our second Explorer Scout to earn the "Duty to God" award.

Oakland 3rd Ward

Suspicion to Love, Uruguay Story

by Mary Westover

Wes Matheson, recently appointed Presiding Elder in the district of Paysandu, Uruguay, reports that a gratifying thing about the work is the change in the attitude of the people toward the missionaries and their message. Where before there was suspicion, there is now avid interest and acceptance. Several years ago just being heard was a problem, and one baptism in two and a half years was the record. Even last year only 37 were baptised during the entire period. Now the athletic program is extremely popular, they have been donated time for a 15-minute program each week by the radio station, space for a column each week in a large newspaper, and have baptised 50 people during the first three months of 1963.

Our Bishopric attended the conference in Salt Lake City and report that it was most enjoyable and edifying experience.

The Ward Pot Luck Dinner, held Friday, April 19th, was a gala occasion for all who attended. Funds raised were used in the Welfare Work and to defray the expenses of sending two teams to Salt Lake City for the basketball play-offs.

A dinner and movie party was held to recognize the achievements of the members of the Aaronic Priesthood and those of the M.I.A. girls. All of the young people in these groups participated and enjoyed the occasion.

Brother and Sister Rufus Phelps broke their assignment at the Los Angeles Temple so that Brother Phelps might supervise work on the new Mission Home being built as one of the structures of the Temple complex now being developed. Both report great inspiration from the work they were doing, and look forward to their return to it some time in the fall.

The ward extends sympathy to the families of Sister Hettie King, a long-time member of this ward, and Brother E. Taft Benson, who had also been with us for some time. Sister King was in her 91st year and Brother Benson was 80. Both looked back on many years of unselfish service in the church.

Many members attended the concert given by the chorus and orchestra from Brigham Young University, in which our own Richard Pearce had a part. It was an impressive and enjoyable example of what can be done by young people dedicated to working with others in developing their talents.

Everybody loves doughnuts, and guess who is selling them! The Oakland 3rd Ward Relief Society! At Hunt's Doughnut Shop at MacArthur and Coolidge on Saturday May 18th. The proceeds from all sales on that day will be donated to us, and orders given ahead will be ready. A good excuse to break that diet you didn't like anyway.

Elder Russell Parker, recently Supervising Elder of the American River District, is our new supervising elder. He is assisted by Elder Dwight Bowen.

Elder Steven Kirkham has now completed his Northwest States Mission and has reported in to the ward and greeted his many friends whom he met while here in the service, all of whom have

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WES MATHESON

followed his missionary career with interest.

Elder Ronald Ria Caruso and Elder Bingham are now working in this area for the Western Spanish American Mission. Their special assignment is with the Spanish speaking people of the Bay Area.

There have been many new baptisms in the ward. We are glad to welcome Reed /shby, Robin Johnson, Richard Beckman, Mary Salas, Jeff Brannin, Mina DeBore, Dorothea Anderson, and Jeanette Kal as members.

We are getting wonderful reports from our missionaries in the field. Brian McCarthy will be home in the near future. Others report transfers to other areas within their mission fields where the need is pressing at this time.

Keith and Carol Wright Stephens are the proud parents of twin girls, but not one bit prouder than the grandparents, Jim and Ruth Wright.

Dinner was catered by Pleasant Hill Second Ward under the direction of Dewey Williams. Sue Burnham was general chairman of the on-to-be-remembered evening in Gay Paree.

April In Paris For Walnut Creek Young Marrieds

By La Verle M. Neilsen

"April in Paris" evening was enjoyed by over 300 Young Marrieds of Walnut Creek Stake April 19.

The delicious chicken dinner served in the French style began with a sparkling punch served in frosted glasses, amid the gay atmosphere of Paris complete with sidewalk cafe effects, flower stands, a remarkable string replica of the Eiffel Tower which graced the center of the floor and sidewalk portrait artists.

Music for dancing was played by Danny Null and the Dancables. The floor to ceiling replica of the Eiffel Tower was constructed by Al Ludlow, Bob Burnham and Bob Smellie. Two talented portrait artists who did sketches throughout the evening were Diane Monk and Dick Tegner. The beautiful special lighting effects were created by Allan Chandler. Aljean Blake created the outstanding ball decorations. Twenty beautiful paintings were loaned by the Concord Art Association.

Dr. Vince Woods emceed the delightful program which included a ladies' trio composed of Donna Jenkins, Arlene Granquist and Donna Lindford, accompanied by Gwen Durrant; a monologue by Patti Mortensen; dance numbers by Jan and Mark Russell.

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Claremont Ward

Plans Laid For Welfare Carnival

By Betty Moss

Claremont Ward is the scene of activity this week as its members prepare for the annual Welfare Carnival to be held Saturday, May 4, from 6 to 10 p.m. Proceeds from this traditional carnival are used to meet welfare expenses for the year, and we expect a large turnout.

To begin the evening, a roast beef dinner will be served by the Relief Society. Donations of \$2 a person or \$5 a family, are asked.

During and after dinner, entertainment and games will be in full swing, including a repeat performance (by popular demand) of the Sunday School's famous "dunking machine." Ballons, fish pond, and cotton candy will keep the little ones happy.

Homemade baked goods will be sold, and Lenore Wood's special candy will be available for all sweets lovers.

Items suitable for a year's supply will be offered, such as, whole wheat and white flour, raw sugar, cracked wheat, powdered milk, and cheddar cheese.

Tupperware will be displayed, and all profit from its sale will be donated to the welfare fund.

A new feature of this year's carnival will be potluck dinners to be held during May and June in the homes of ward members. Several couples will be invited into

BYU Concert Gets Standing Ovation

As the tones of the final "Amen" drifted away, members of the Brigham Young University choral and symphony group were rewarded with a standing ovation from a capacity audience which had listened with hypnotic attention to an outstanding performance of Bach and Walton.

Presented mid-way in the Easter week at Berkeley Community Theater, "Magnificat" and "Bells of the Feast" were particularly suitable for setting the mood for the remembrance of the blessing of the resurrection.

Dr. Crawford Gates led the three hundred members of the choral groups and the one hundred instrumentalists through the two hour presentation.

another's home to share in the preparation of a dinner and in conversation afterward. Each couple will bring part of the dinner, and contribute \$2 to the welfare funds.

Bishop Wood urges all to respond to the call to help make this carnival one of the highlights of the year in Claremont Ward.

Karna and Kimball Hansen recently became parents of their second child, a little girl named Linda Marie.

We really welcome Helen and Dean Madsen back after an absence of six weeks or so for business reasons.

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Lafayette-Orinda Stresses Scouting

Scouting, at all age levels from Cubs to Explorers, is emphasized at the Lafayette-Orinda Ward, Bishop E. Y. Wells reports with the comment, "We would like to boast a little."

In April the Cubs under supervision of Gerald Wilson went to Stockton and back on the Vista Dome California Zephyr. On April 20 at Camolino high school the Cubs presented an exhibit on conservation. Future events include a trip to a potato chip factory, candy factory, and automobile assembly plant.

Chris Sorensen is the Scoutmaster for the 11 year olds, and Bill Wignall, assisted by Bill Powell Jr. and Oscar Busch, are scoutmasters for the rest. In early April the scouts took an overnight trip to Grass Valley. In May the Camporee is planned. This summer another ten-day hike in the Sierra is being planned, to be led again by Brother Busch, who led the scouts who went on a similar trip two years ago.

As part of the MIA program the ward supports Explorer Post 249, under the direction of Owen Freeman. This summer two Explorer boys will have the opportunity to attend a national Explorer Convention for a week at BYU.

On April 16 the MIA held a talent show at the Veterans Hall in Lafayette. It was well attended and much appreciated. The young people sold refreshments, the proceeds going toward the building fund.

"On May 3 we will hold our dance Festival at the Walnut Creek Chapel. There are over 40 young people participating in this event," Bishop Wells said. "The MIA is also holding a youth core. The young people are doing any odd jobs from window washing to baby sitting and all of their proceeds are going to the ward building fund."

"We very much hope to be our Chapel by the middle of July. Work is going along nicely and we are now ready to begin painting and landscaping, weather permitting."

"There has been a revision of the Relief Society Presidency. We reluctantly released Beverly C. Powell as 2nd. counselor, as she is moving to Piedmont. In her place, however, we welcome Lena Nordstrom, who has been active in Relief Society for many years, and is very capable."

"We have new convert in our ward; Sharon Albright, who is now attending Stockton College."

School Honors Paul Loudon

Paul Loudon was selected as outstanding musician of the graduating class at Frick Junior School, Oakland. He played a trumpet solo with the orchestra in the school's musical assembly.

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Rain, Gale, Fail To Halt B of M "Trial" Crowds

by Jean Manning & Narnu Faulkner

Torrential rains, driven by near-hurricane winds, failed to discourage attendance of nearly 1000 Church members and non-member friends from attending Brother Jack H. West's mock trial of the Book of Mormon at the San Francisco Stake House in Daly City the night of March 22. By automobile and bus they came from Pacifica on the west to San Jose on the south to Hayward and Walnut Creek on the east and points in between.

So stirring was the evidence and its presentation that a still greater crowd was forecast for the second of three lectures on Friday, April 19, and the third, scheduled for May 10. Careful to observe the rules of evidence, Brother West makes his "trial" vivid by his unique presentation. He has given his powerful missionary series to various nearby stakes and is available for additional engagements. His interest is so intense that his first San Francisco address was given the evening after he had laid a grandson to rest.

First "trial" of the series examines the authenticity of the Book of Mormon and includes "examination" of the witnesses. Second covers the internal evidences of the Book of Mormon itself and the third deals with modern-day archaeological explorations by non-Mormon scientists as well as members of the Church in southern Mexico and Central America.

Many who have heard the series or even one of the lectures recommend them highly for their interest to members and for their missionary value among friends of members.

Four Win B of A Scholarships

Four first place zone winners in the annual Bank of America High School Achievement Awards were named recently when candidates from schools in the area met in round table discussions with a panel of civic leaders serving as judges.

Eight other seniors declared second and third place winners in their fields of study received cash awards.

Among the winners of \$50 second place awards were: Susan Holmes, El Cerrito High, fine arts, daughter of Samuel and Marie Holmes of Berkeley Second Ward; and Maureen Thomson, Richmond Union High, vocational arts, daughter of Reese and Lucy Thomson of Richmond Ward.

Among those placing third for \$25 was David Jensen, El Cerrito High, liberal arts, son of Ralph and Helen Jensen of Berkeley Second Ward.

The students were rated by judges on the basis of their scholastic records and participation school and community activities as well as personal traits and ambitions exhibited in the interviews.

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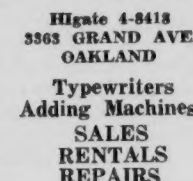
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One of the first queries in this column resulted in an exchange of many generations of pedigree. Why not try it?

1. John Addison emigrated from old England to Maryland in 1667, born 1634, died 1709. Father Lancelot married Rebecca Wilkinson in 1677; had son Thomas. Any other children?

Virginia Cooper
2819 Octavia Street, Oak.
2. Elizabeth Faulkner of Sudbury Derbyshire, England married Joseph Fearn 1769. I need Elizabeth's birthplace.

Joan Stam
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Future training classes under the direction of Pearl A. Sparks and Mary B. Russell will be held on the following dates. The class in May has been changed due to the Temple Cornerstone ceremony.

May 18—Planning of Research Programs.

June 22—Variations of Evidence and their value.

Increased attendance at the Library has been beneficial to patrons and gratifying to librarians. Many county histories, films of census and parish registers, etc., also a second micro-card reader, await the patrons' use. Contributions of genealogical films and books, also a copy of your pedigree chart will be appreciated.

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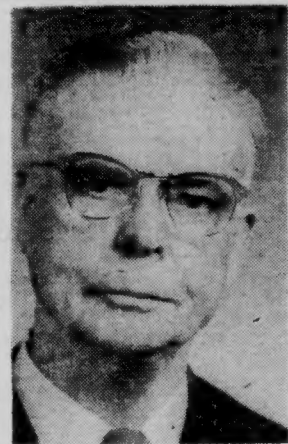
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Dr. P. M. Kelly

Funeral services were held in Oakland and American Fork, Utah, for the late Dr. Philemon M. Kelly 86, a native of American Fork, who died in Oakland March 7.

Dr. Kelly's father, a native of the Isle of Mann, settled at Nauvoo, Ill., before the death of the Prophet Joseph Smith and later became one of the youngest members of the Mormon Battalion. His mother, a native of Denmark, walked most of the way from Winter Quarters, Neb., to Utah, pushing a handcart.

Raised on a farm, Dr. Kelly aspired to become a teacher and did, before studying medicine at the University of Utah and Northwestern University. He served a mission in Germany and later returned to that country as president of the Swiss-German Mission and later of the East German Mission.

He married Susan Groesbeck of Springfield, Utah, in 1905. She died in 1942 and he later married Isma Potter of Provo, who survives.

Throughout his life he continued to advance himself in his profession through study both in this country and abroad. He was active in the Church until his final illness and, during much of his life was a leader in civic affairs at American Fork, later at St. Anthony, Idaho. Since his retirement in 1950 he and Sister Kelly lived in Oakland.

Besides his widow, survivors include sons Howard of Blackfoot, Idaho, Dr. Ralph of Bakersfield, daughters Eleanor (Mrs. Robert N. Anderson) of London, England, and Connie (Mrs. Ilo J. Swan) of Oakland, and eleven grandchildren. A daughter Ruth died in early womanhood and is buried at American Fork near her parents.

Testimony of newspaper clippings and friends indicate that he was a truly great man, physician, churchman, and citizen.



Richmond Scouts Receive Eagle Rank

San Lorenzo 2nd Ward

Many Baptisms

By Elverna Batts

There were many members and converts baptized last month in our ward. The members were Terrance Davis, Timothy Davis, Donald Nethcott, Kathleen Ringwood, Alan Fitch, Karen Danielson, and Richard Hansen. The converts were Pauline Lindner, Elizabeth Vallega, Rosalie Tereasa, Christine, and Marcello Guervara, and Susan Benson. We welcomed these people into our ward and congratulate them on their recent baptisms.

The children blessed last month were James Robert Wheeler, Eugene Leo Bond, Jr., Roger Arrie Bond, and Debra Ann Miller.

Those ordained to new offices in the Priesthood were Paul Romer and Jack Rose, Teachers, and Fred Rose, Deacon.

There was a surprise shower given in honor of Ireta Wheeler for her new son in the home of Iida Starr. The Relief Society also surprised Ireta with a baby quilt and refreshments at her home.

An open house was given in honor of George and Ann Borrowman who were married on March 5 in the Los Angeles Temple. Many of the ward and friends attended and they received many nice gifts.

The Elders gave a successful Ward dinner with good food, entertainment, and prizes. Sofia Clegg and Eldon Brody were recently sustained in the Primary in the position of working with the Guide Patrol.

Hayward Ward

Bishopric Changes

Hayward Ward bishopric was reorganized when Dr. C. Reed Smith was released after two years of service. Sustained as second counselor to Bishop W. Shannon Murphy was Ronald Lewis. Brother Lewis and his wife Joanne, are from Provo, Utah, where Brother Lewis received his Bachelor's Degree in Education at BYU. He is now nearing completion of work on his Masters' degree there, and teachers sixth grade at Eldridge School in the Mt. Eden School District. He was a missionary in Holland. The Lewises have two children, Pamela and Paul. Sister Lewis is active in ward music activities.

An outstanding program was presented in the ward on Easter Sunday, under the direction of Sister Gwen Edmunda.

"Your Child's Future is the World's Future" was the theme of the Primary Sacrament Meeting program presented in the ward April 28, under direction of the Primary presidency, Sisters Jackie Stock, Lynn Carlson, and Gene Norris. Parents learned of the help "The Children's Friend" can be.

"An Evening with Rodgers and Hammerstein" was the presentation of the combined efforts of the La Graciosa Chorus, the Men of Music and the Academy of Dance, sponsored by Hayward ward on the April 19 in the Interstake Center. Vic Simard was master of ceremonies.

Two Eagles In Esperson Family

by Cathie O'Connor

Three members of Richmond Explorer Post 113, all residents of Tamalpais Avenue, El Cerrito, have received the Eagle Scout rank in ceremonies witnessed by 300 friends and relatives at Richmond Ward Chapel.

Recipients of the national award were Michael Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Nelson of 2543 Tamalpais Ave., David Eugene Esperson, and Donald Carl Esperson, sons of Bishop and Mrs. Clinton H. Esperson of 2540 Tamalpais Avenue. The El Cerritos presented small replicas of the Eagle medal to their mothers.

Participating in the National Court of Awards were Victor Lindblad, executive emeritus of Mount Diablo Council, Camp Hermis District, who supervised the Boy Scouts program in this area from 1935 until his retirement in 1958; Roger Bales, executive of Mt. Diablo Council; Judge David W. Calfee, Camping and Activities Director of the Council; Delbert Carman of Richmond, Neighborhood Commissioner; Paul Graves, who holds Eagle Scout rank; James S. Adams, institutional representative; and Calvin Hall, chairman of the Post. Advisor of Post 113 is Allan Tidwell.

David Esperson, now attending Contra Costa College and planning to transfer to BYU next year, became a Boy Scout in 1955 and an Explorer in 1958. He has served as post treasurer, Order of the Arrow, and received his Duty to God Award in 1961 when he also was graduated from Seminary. A member of the US Navy Sea Cadets, also commissioned an Ensign in the US Navy League, David participated in a Navy-sponsored World Brotherhood trip to Japan in 1960.

Michael and Donald became Boy Scouts in 1957, and Explorers in 1960. Both are members of the US Navy Sea Cadets. Chosen as one of four from this area to join an Alameda Explorer Post in a trip to Japan in 1961, Michael has served Post 113 in many capacities and is now Post treasurer. He was elected to membership in Sumi Chapter, Order of the Arrow, and while attending Harry Ellis High School was active with the Rally Committee, Audio-Visual Squad, and swimming team. Former quartermaster and now vice president of Post 113, Donald also graduated from Seminary and has earned his Duty to God Award. He delegates from his Post to the Twelfth Regional Explorer Conference in San Diego in 1961, and that year joined his brother as other Post members in a Survival experience at Stead Air Force Base. A senior at Harry Ellis High School, he also plans to attend BYU.

Explorer Post 113 last summer demonstrated its Rifle Specialty at the All-Church Specialty Fair at June Conference. Its National Rifle Association Small Bore Rifle Club is directed by Delbert Carman, certified NRA instructor. In addition to assisting United Crusade, Fire Trail, and Forrestry

Pleasant Hill Ward

Elder Tells Church Growth In Japan

By Rachel Levesque

Enthusiastic reports come from Elder Don Cleveland in the Far Eastern Mission. He has baptized two converts and is working with others. As a sideline to teaching the gospel itself, the Elder is teaching English twice a week to investigators. Brother Don has visited former P. H. ward member Ted Price at his Tokyo home and relays Ted's greetings. To give an idea of the size of the mission, Don notes that a recent conference there assembled over a hundred fulltime missionaries. (Mission President Dwayne Anderson, by the way, is from Concord, California.) They are building a chapel in Don's ward and constantly turning more ward and stake offices over to native Japanese, thus freeing missionaries for their basic gospel mission.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch here: Sister Cochran reports the Era Drive has filled its quota. . . . The April ward party was a carnival of fun, as planned. . . . Both our Scout Troop and our Cub Pack participated in the District Scoutorama. . . . And Troop 240 gained its first Eagle with the advancement of Mike Wheable at a recent Court of Honor. On the same program Den Chief Warrants were awarded to Scouts Gordet, Scott, Buchanan and Kowalski; while advancements went to Jim Robinson and Monte Evans, and a number of merit badges were presented.

Attending the annual conference from our ward were the Dean Criddle and the Don Evanses. Bishop Girdle was able to enjoy a long visit with his 74 year old mother in Clearfield, Utah, in addition to attending conference.

The stork is resting up after delivering a 9-lb. boy to the Dick Woolley's. Other additions to the ward were new converts Rosana Meeks and William Jacobas, but nobody weighed them. And being welcomed back into the ward is the Wilford Peterson family.

Pleasant Hill Ward Easter Services were highlighted by the presentation of the "Girl's Medalion" to Sharon Carlson. In making the award, Bishop Criddle explained that Sister Sharon had qualified for seven annual awards to become eligible for this honor. He read off a long list of age-group honors this sister was received while qualifying for the annual awards—the last one being the Wreathing of the Laurel. She is now working on her Golden Gleaner requirements.

While no advance notice had been given publicly, or to Sharon, her grandparents had been notified of the presentation so they could attend. The main speaker at the Easter Sacrament meeting, Stake President Kenneth Jensen, testified to the infrequency with which he mentioned that he could not recall ever seeing one awarded before.

Sister Carlson presently serves as ward organist and as Sunday School teacher, and is a student at Diablo Valley College.

Service at Liahona Girl's Camp, Bay Area Bivouacs, Camping in the Sierras, Post 113 with its 25 members last year traveled to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, visiting the US Air Force Academy, several Air Bases, and witnessing the annual Indian Pow-wow at Flagstaff, Arizona en route.

This is the first time the Tabernacle Choir has appeared in northern California. Their performances in southern California have included a Hollywood Bowl engagement in 1941; the San Bernardino Centennial in 1947; two performances in Los Angeles Shrine Auditorium in 1959 climaxed with the singers' TV "Grammy" award for their hit recording of "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

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Tabernacle Choir In Temple Rites

This month of May holds two big dates for the Saints in the Oakland Temple District. They are the 24th and 25th when our world-famous Tabernacle Choir's California concert tour will be climaxed by their participating in the Temple cornerstone laying ceremonies.

The Choir is scheduled to sing in the San Francisco Opera House on Friday night as the second stop in their California schedule. On Saturday forenoon they will be at the East Bay Interstake Center to lift their voices in thanksgiving for the third major step in the construction of the Oakland Temple.

(It was in January of 1961 when President David O. McKay flew to the Bay Area to announce the plans for the building of the second Temple overlooking the Pacific Ocean. In June of the following year President McKay, accompanied by his counselors and members of the Twelve Apostles, returned to bless and break the ground for the beginning of the construction.

The San Francisco concert date will follow the Choir's appearance in the huge Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles. Travel arrangements are being made under the direction of Choir President Isaac M. Stewart and Theodore L. Cannon, vice-president.

Present plans are for the 375 members of the Choir to fly from Salt Lake City on Thursday for the concert in Los Angeles, then fly to San Francisco that night after their Hollywood Bowl appearance. They will spend Thursday and Friday nights in San Francisco and fly back to Salt Lake Saturday afternoon following the services on Temple Hill.

Elder Richard L. Evans, of the Council of the Twelve, will accompany the choir as commentator. Richard P. Condie, director and Jay E. Welch, assistant director, will conduct the singers, and the accompanists will be Alexander Schreiner and Frank W. Asper.

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Elmo R. Smith, first counselor in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake presidency, appealed to all male members to honor and magnify their priesthood and to their families to support and sustain them in every way possible.

"Get on the beam," urged W. Paul Summe-hays, president of the second counselor. "Sustain the authorities, accept and faithfully perform assignments, and completely fulfill your obligations as a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints."

Aaronic Awards
The Aaronic Priesthood of the Berkeley Second and Oakland Wards were cited for achievement at the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Quarterly Conference at the Interstake Center, Sunday, April 21.

Berkeley won the trophy for highest attainment for the first quarter of 1963. This award is made every three months. At the end of the year it goes to the highest point winner.

Oakland was honored for the most improvement for the first quarter of 1963 over the preceding quarter.

Archaeologists Say B of M Most Unique Ever

By Glen Wright

A broad spectrum of Latter-day Saint viewpoints, including the Book of Mormon, the Priesthood and the individual's responsibility in the Church program, was presented by speakers at the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Quarterly Conference, Interstake Center, Sunday, April 21.

"The most unique book ever written is the Book of Mormon; it was a special interest of Christ, who foreseeing present day conditions wherein people are too lazy to read much, instructed Mormon to abridge it—to make it a little book."

Thus Milton R. Hunter, of the First Council of Seventy, launched his opening address at the morning session.

Pointing out that the Book of Mormon is the only book directly sponsored by Christ, as completely the word of God, Brother Hunter asserted it follows that anything contrary to it is untrue.

He completed the address in the afternoon session by calling attention to the archeological evidences of the book. Chief of these, he said, are proof that pre-Columbian Americans believed in a white, bearded God, and possessed horses and elephants.

He was preceded at the podium in the morning session by High Councilman Thomas Ferguson of Lafayette-Orinda stake, co-author with Hunter of "The Book of Mormon and Ancient America", and author of "One Fold and One Shepherd."

Asserting that the Book of Mormon is the greatest and first single revelation of God to Man, and that its destiny is to convince all mankind of the truth of Christianity, Brother Ferguson announced that the Church has formed a Book of Mormon Committee authorized to spend \$100,000 a year on research.

Church cares for own
Welfare is more than assistance, it is a program of rehabilitation, declared Elder Donald M. Bagley, Church Welfare Committeeman, at the afternoon session.

He reiterated several points he had made at the welfare meeting Saturday night: Every effort should be made to help financially troubled members help themselves, but that failing, the Church will take care of its own. Members should turn to the Church, not to government, welfare.

"We don't want LDS members on the dole," he said.

He quoted statistics showing that Church Welfare costs exceed fast offerings and other direct contributions, making it necessary to use general funds to make up the deficit.

Smith, Sumner's says Elmo R. Smith, first counselor in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake presidency, appealed to all male members to honor and magnify their priesthood and to their families to support and sustain them in every way possible.

"Get on the beam," urged W. Paul Summe-hays, president of the second counselor. "Sustain the authorities, accept and faithfully perform assignments, and completely fulfill your obligations as a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints."

Aaronic Awards
The Aaronic Priesthood of the Berkeley Second and Oakland Wards were cited for achievement at the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Quarterly Conference at the Interstake Center, Sunday, April 21.

Berkeley won the trophy for highest attainment for the first quarter of 1963. This award is made every three months. At the end of the year it goes to the highest point winner.

Oakland was honored for the most improvement for the first quarter of 1963 over the preceding quarter.

Stanford's Nanney In June ISC Concert
Professor Herbert Nanney of Stanford University will play the June 2 concert in the Interstake Concert Series. This dispatch was received too late to give further details. This should be a musical treat for organ "buffs."

Six Berkeley Scouts Win Eagle Rank



Victor Lindblad, retired District Scoutmaster; Bruce Ricks, Wayne Bishop Richard W. Owens, of Scout Executive, Mt. Diablo Council, presents Eagle Scout rank, Scoutmaster; David K. Hulme, Z. Hale, John R. Balmforth, Alan R. Balmforth, Frank Hulme, and Troop.

Eagle rank was presented recently to five boys and one man, Scoutmaster of Troop 38. The boys are members of Troop 38 of Boy Scouts and Post 88 of Explorers sponsored by the Berkeley 2nd Ward. Presentation of the Eagle rank was made by Victor Lindblad, retired District-Scout Executive of Mt. Diablo Council, Berkeley. Mr. Lindblad now lives in Salt Lake City.

The rank was presented to:

1. Frank Hulme, 180 Arlington Avenue, Kensington - Son of David K. and Barbara F. Hulme. Frank is an Explorer, age 16. Frank also received the Duty to God Award.

2. Bruce M. Ricks, 825 Contra Costa Avenue, Berkeley - Son of Marc and Jane Ricks. Bruce is an Explorer, age 15.

3. Wayne Z. Hale, 21 Westminster, Kensington - Son of Zondell M. and Lettie Hale. Wayne is an Explorer, age 16.

4. Alan R. Balmforth, 748 Pomona Avenue, El Cerrito - Son of Ray and Janet Balmforth. Ray is a former District Scout Executive of Mt. Diablo Council, Berkeley. Alan is an Explorer, age 15.

5. John G. Balmforth, 748 Pomona Avenue, El Cerrito - Son of Ray and Janet Balmforth and brother of Alan R. Balmforth. John is a scout, age 13.

6. David K. Hulme, 180 Arlington Avenue, Kensington - Mr. Hulme is Scoutmaster of Troop 38 and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Hulme, live at 531 Ashbury Street, El Cerrito, California.

Frank Hulme, Wayne Hale and Alan Balmforth are students at El Cerrito High School; Bruce Ricks is attending Berkeley High School and John Balmforth at Portola Junior High School.

Mr. Hulme is the father of three sons and a daughter - an Eagle Scout, a Life Scout, a Cub Scout and a Brownie. Mrs. Hulme is President of Kensington P-TA and former Den Mother of Pack 95 of Cub Scouts. Mrs. Hulme is chief tax accountant for Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation with world headquarters in Kaiser Center, Oakland.

During the last year, Troop 38 was honored as one of the 25 outstanding Boy Scout Troops in the Church. All members of the troop advanced at least one rank and several advanced three ranks within the last year.

Higham To Head 'Education Week'
Elder Frank C. Higham, Oakland-Berkeley Stake, officially assumed his duties as chairman for the Brigham Young University Education Week last month. The meeting was attended by V. Dallas Marrell, Provo, chairman B.Y.U. Education Week Programs, and Dr. Harold Glen Clark, Dean of Adult Education and Extension Services, and local committee members.

A second meeting was held the same evening during which time a talk and film were presented by cluded, in addition to the new chairman whose predecessor was M. Dee Smith, John Woodward, Jan-Berkeley stake president, in-faculty and curriculum, and Warren Blossi, registration and finance. Other committee members are Curtis R. Bybee, physical facilities; La Rue Matey, housing and transportation; Wallace Jones, food preparation; Denis L. Lau, per, personnel; and Nell Smith, publicity.

Registration is open and may be made by writing to Warren Blossi, 5960 Romany Road, Oakland, enclosing five dollars per registration for one week. Information on house facilities may be had by writing Mrs. La Rue Matey, 4200 Coolidge Avenue, Oakland.

Announcements of visiting faculty members and guest speakers for devotional hours will be forthcoming in future issues of the "Messenger."

Ancient Baptisms

One of the most interesting recent features of the Church News was the March 23 "center - spread" which told in picture and paragraphs of ancient methods of baptism by immersion. If you don't take the Church News, borrow the March 23 issue, so you can read this feature—then subscribe.



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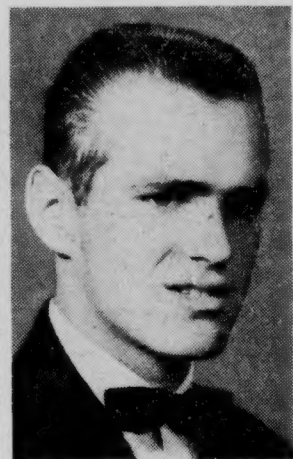
LDS Pictorial News Notes



JON FERGUSON, left and Jeff Pickett, right, Deacons and Scouts in the Lafayette-Orinda ward, are good friends and have several things in common. Although they attend the same ward, they attend different Junior High Schools. Jeff, son of Donald and Jean Pickett, is Student Body President at Stanley Junior High in Lafayette, while Jon Ferguson, son of Tom and Ester Ferguson is Student Body President of Pine Grove Junior High in Orinda.

Both boys were on the honor roll in their respective schools last year and both are outstanding athletes. They are the youngest members of their ward soft-ball team, they were pitchers in the Little League baseball tournament last summer and both are on the first-string football and basketball teams in their schools. Jeff pitched a perfect no-hit baseball game during the Little League season and Jon was Yo-Yo Champion of all of the Orinda schools for two consecutive years.

Out of student bodies of approximately 700 students, there is only one other LDS student at Pine Grove and 12 at Stanley.



THIS IS Donald Carl Esperson who received his DUTY TO GOD AWARD in his Junior year but didn't get a picture taken until his senior year.



RODEO WARD BISHOPRIC (l to r) 1st Counselor Don Baker, Bishop Fred Stone, and 2nd Counselor George Evans.



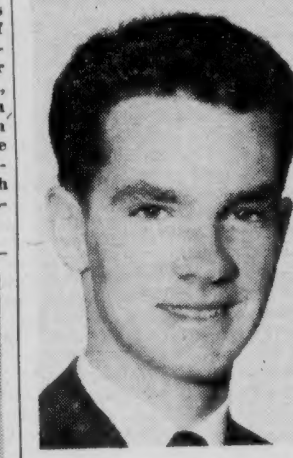
ELDER BENJAMIN L. FOULK of the Northern Argentine Mission will be released next September. He was made 2nd Counselor to President Ronald V. Stone March 23 at the Mission Home in Casablanca, Argentina. The Argentine Mission was divided last October. Before entering on his mission Ben attended BYU for three years. His brother Donald was released recently from the Guatemalan Mission and Hal previously attended Brigham Young University to which they plan to return after completion of their missionary service.



ELDER DUANE B. CHASE was honored at a testimonial March 24, prior to his departure to the Andes Mission with headquarters at Lima, Peru. He is the son of Reed and Wanda Chase of Lafayette-Orinda Ward. His brother Elder Reed H. (Hal) Chase Jr., is serving in the Bavarian Mission where he has spent 11 months in Munich, Germany. Both Duane and Hal previously attended Brigham Young University to which they plan to return after completion of their missionary service.



ROBERT CASTLE, son of Elias and June Castle, was recently called to serve in the French Mission. Robert previously had attended BYU, majoring in science. He was president of the Stake Council of MMen and Gleasers. Robert is from Concord 2nd Ward.



THOMAS ALLEN FERGUSON, son of Tom and Ester Ferguson of the Lafayette-Orinda Ward of Walnut Creek Stake is now in the language training school at the BYU, undergoing three months of intensive training in Spanish preparatory to reporting to mission headquarters in Mexico City. Missionaries called to Mexico and Argentina now spend the first three months of their missions in the training school at Brigham Young University.

Tom has completed a year at Brigham Young University. He attended on a scholarship, having been an honor student at Miramonte High School, Orinda, where he was Chief Judge of the Student court and Junior Class President.



LORETTA ANN HOMSTAD will be married to Raymond P. Lane at the Logan Temple the last week in May, it was announced by Loretta's father, Clyde R. Murphy of El Sobrante Ward. A reception and tea will honor the newlyweds 7:30 p.m. June 7 at the El Sol ante-Rodeo Ward Chapel, 4551 Hilltop Drive.

Raymond completed a mission to the New England States three years ago and is employed by the PG&E. His bride is a native of Washington who has lived in this area the last year and a half. Both are active in Church work.



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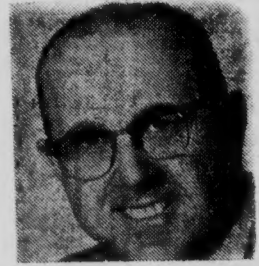
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The following recent changes have been made in ward leadership: Eunice Cadwallader has been released from Primary presidency, now is stake Primary Scout Director; Louis Cook, who recently returned from Salt Lake, has been appointed superintendent of Mutual, Jackie Jackson is the new Laurel teacher.

Newly ordained deacons include Stanley Kyzer, Cole Stevenson, and Kenneth Stephens. David McClun and Thomas Waddell have been ordained elders.

Our ward Temple trip was highly successful, with around 80 endowments being performed. Congratulations are extended to Brother and Sister Beedelson, who were recently married in the tem-

ple, and their lovely family sealed to them for eternity.

Approval has been received for funds for the addition of 8 classrooms and a Sunday School addition to the chapel, and work will shortly commence. Jerry Loeffler reports that the Boy Scout building will be ready for use in the next two weeks, as his volunteer crew of 35 has really worked hard to finish the job.

The Primary presidency would like to remind the parents of the Spring Family Hour, May 28, 1:30—2:30 p.m., at the chapel. All the children will take part in presenting a program depicting the importance of the Children's Friend in the home.

Half the Elder's Quorum is now participating in the whole-sale food program, according to chairman Carvel Dansie. We urge all families who would like to augment their year's supply to do it this sensible, money-saving way. Contact Carvel for price lists.

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Congratulations to all the new baby girls in the families of Brother and Sister Weeks, McKinney, and Birch!

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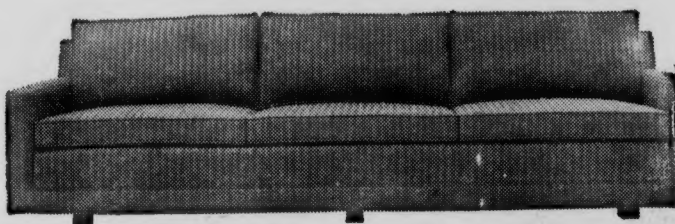
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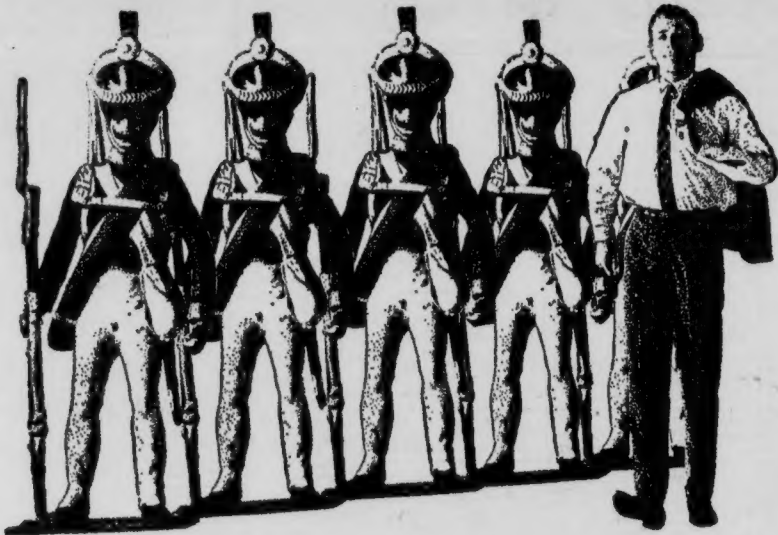


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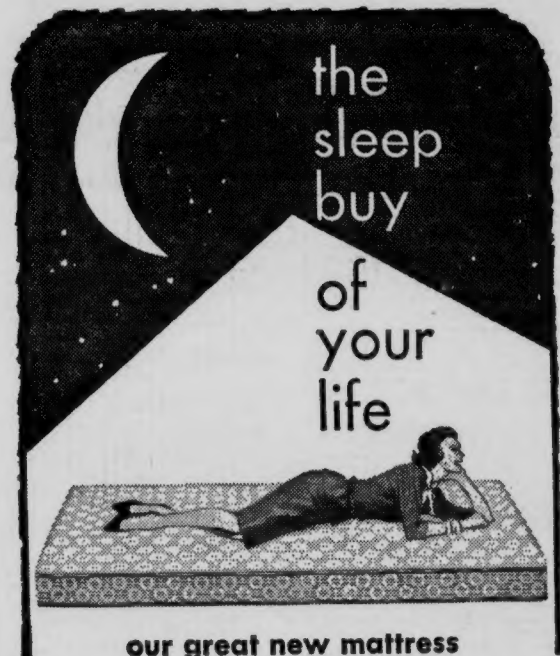
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